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pire 1, 2); 1782-1783 (Elections 1, 2; Laws to Expire 1, 2), 1783 (Elections; Laws to Expire), 1784 (Elections; Laws to Expire), 1785 (Elections; Laws to Expire), 1786-1787 (Elections 1, 2; Laws to Expire 1, 2), 1787-1788 (Elections 1, 2; Grievances 2; Laws to Expire 1, 2), 1788 (Laws to Expire), 1789 (Grievances; Laws to Expire), 1790, 1791-1792, 1792, 1793, 1794, 1795, 1796, 1797, 1798, 1799, 1800, 1801, 1802. LOCAL OF-FICES: coroner, Anne Arundel County, in office 1765, 1767, 1773, resigned 1777; common councilman, Annapolis, 1764-1765; constable, Anne Arundel County, 1767; justice, Anne Arundel County, 1777-1803; justice, Orphans' Court, Anne Arundel County, 1777-1794 (resigned); alderman, Annapolis, 1780-1801, 1803; mayor, Annapolis, 1778–1779, 1786–1787, 1792–1793, 1795, 1799, 1801-1803; St. Anne's Parish Vestry, Anne Arundel County, 1773-1776, 1777-1782; churchwarden, St. Anne's Parish, Anne Arundel County, 1776, 1783; Committee of Observation, Anne Arundel County, in office 1775; committee to make chart of the Severn River and to erect fortifications for Annapolis, 1775. WEALTH DUR-ING LIFETIME. PERSONAL PROPERTY: valued at £100.0.0-£300.0.0, 1756-1759; assessed value £675.10.0, including 12 slaves and 54 oz. plate, 1783; 23 slaves, 1790. LAND AT FIRST ELECTION: 2 lots, with sections leased out, and tanyard ground, all in Annapolis (all by personal acquisition). SIG-NIFICANT CHANGES IN LAND BETWEEN FIRST ELEC-TION AND DEATH: Over the next 25 years, Quynn continued to acquire and then subdivide and sell, lease, or sublease lots in Annapolis. He controlled over half of the first block of West Street, as well as 3 lots in other parts of the town, and at least 1 lot outside the town gate. In 1777 he contracted to purchase 175 acres on South River in Anne Arundel County; after obtaining title to that parcel in 1782, he purchased adjoining tracts until his holdings totalled more than 800 acres. ADDITIONAL COMMENT: Throughout his career, Quynn purchased or held mortgages on land, personal property, and slaves, which he then resold at a profit. WEALTH AT DEATH. DIED: on November 8, 1803, in Anne Arundel County. PERSONAL PROPERTY: TEV, at least \$13,326.24 (including 33 slaves, books, and 2 ferry boats). LAND: at least 4 lots and a tanyard ground in Annapolis, and 809 acres in Anne Arundel County.

RAMSAY (RAMSEY), NATHANIEL (1741–1817). BORN: on May 1, 1741, in East Drumore Township, Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. IM-

MIGRATED: from Pennsylvania to Cecil County, ca. 1771. RESIDED: in Cecil County, ca. 1771; in Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, ca. 1781-1783; Baltimore County, by 1783; owned land in Cecil County by 1785, and bought "Carpenter's Point" in Cecil County, a few miles south of the mouth of the Susquehanna, in 1786. Thereafter Ramsay lived in Baltimore in the winter and at "Carpenter's Point" in the summer. FAMILY BACKGROUND. FATHER: James Ramsay, a farmer, who immigrated to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, from northern Ireland. He served as a member of the Pennsylvania Assembly from York County. MOTHER: Jane Montgomery. BROTHERS: William (1731-1771), a Presbyterian minister in Fairfield, Cumberland County, New Jersey, graduated from Princeton in 1754, who married in 1759 Sarah Seeley, who subsequently married Rev. Robert Smith of Pequa, Pennsylvania; David (1749–1815), a physician and historian, graduated from Princeton in 1765, emigrated to Charleston, South Carolina, served as a member of the Continental Congress from 1782 to 1786, who married first, in 1775, Sabina Ellis (?-1776), second, in 1783, Frances Witherspoon (?-1784), and third, in 1787, Martha Laurens (?-1811). MARRIED first, in 1771, Margaret Jane, widow of James McMordia (?ca. 1767), daughter of Charles Peale (1709-1750) and wife Margaret Triggs. Charles Peale was master at King William's School, Annapolis, Anne Arundel County, the Free School, Queen Anne's County, and the Kent County School at Chestertown. Margaret Jane Peale's brothers were Charles Willson (1741-1827), a portrait painter and naturalist, who married first, in 1762, Rachel Brewer (1744-1790), second, in 1791, Elizabeth DePeyster (1765-1804), and third, in 1805, Hannah Moore (1755-1821); St. George (1745-1778), who married Elizabeth Emerson Collister (?-ca. 1786); and James (1749-1831), who married in 1782 Mary Claypoole (1753-1829). Her sister was Elizabeth Digby (1747-?), who married in 1765 Robert Polk (1744-1777). MARRIED second, in 1790, Charlotte (1758-1838), daughter of Aquila Hall (1727-1779) and wife Sophia (?-1780). Her brothers were Thomas (1750-1804); James White (1754-1808); Aquila (1754-1754); William (1756-1818); John (1762-1804); Edward (1763-?); and Benedict (1771-?). Her sisters were Mary (1760-?); Sophia (1765-?), who married Philip Key (1750-1820); Martha (1768-?); and Elizabeth (1770-?). Her first cousin was Susannah Hall (1744-ca. 1770), who married first, James Heath (?-1766), and second, John Lee Webster (ca. 1735-